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Majority prices in all areas were mostly unchanged when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was mixed, but mostly steady to about steady. Retail and food service demand was seasonally light to moderate, with trading usually limited to immediate needs. Offerings were adequate to fully sufficient; floor stocks were balanced. In the parts structure, demand was light to moderate. Breast items and wings were adequate to ample, but dark meat was mixed, ranging readily available to close balanced in the Midwest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to light.

Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 08-AUG-2005 (cents per lb)

Areas	US grade A Majority	Wtd Avg	Lds	: Composite Wtd Avg	Lds
Boston/New England	TFEWR			65.41	23
Chicago	65.00-68.00	67.86	40	68.19	74
Ohio Cities	TFEWR			65.35	21
Denver	80.50	80.50	14	80.93	15
Detroit	67.00-69.00	68.54	13	70.48	55
Los Angeles	81.00	80.54	59	75.42	145
New York	68.00-71.00	69.52	23	69.47	48
Philadelphia	67.50-69.00	68.32	11	67.83	24
Pittsburgh	67.00-70.00	68.73	11	72.10	58
St. Louis	66.75-67.00	66.41	20	66.43	37
San Francisco	81.50	81.13	34	82.36	62

Composite Weighted Average

Loads	08/08/05	Change Last Wk	08/01/05	08/09/04
562	71.72	.27	71.45	75.97

WOG broilers - (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and ltl quantities:

Marketing Regions	Majority	Wtd Avg	Lds
Eastern	72.00-73.00	72.66	31
Central	57.00-75.00	70.34	73
Western	62.00-79.00	72.05	36
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	72.00-75.00	73.90	89

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 74.75 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG

LOADS	RANGE	FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,149	65.00-76.44	73.53

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUNDS)
LINE RUN TENDERS	171.50	1,488
BREASTS - B/S	149.00	6,093
BREASTS - WHOLE	85.50	1,496
THIGH MEAT - B/S	107.50	1,125
LEG QUARTERS	45.50	7,964
WINGS	80.00	3,131

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NORTHEAST Trucklot buying interest on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was fair to no better than moderate as dealers limited orders to immediate needs entering the week. Offerings of 3.00 pound sizes were generally sufficient; heavier sizes were at least adequate. Movement through retail and distributive channels was mostly light. The market tone was about steady. In the parts complex, dark meat cuts were fully sufficient for current trade needs. Breast items and wings were adequate to fully adequate.

SOUTHERN Trade sentiment was overall no better than steady. Demand over the weekend was slow to fair, best for fast food, but limited for first of the month business. Supplies of all sizes were sufficient to handle trade requirements. In the parts structure, movement was light to moderate. Availability of all items was at least adequate or obtainable, closest for tenders. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at desirable to light weights.

WESTERN Final majorities prices were unchanged from last week. The market tone was generally steady with reported trading for this week's deliveries at mainly unchanged prices. Offerings were adequate to fully adequate. Sizes were in a full range with weights less than 3.5 pounds in the closest position. Buying activity was only fair. Retailer demand was best where promoted otherwise moderate at best. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 65.07 down .14 with the volume reported down 4 percent at 27 loads.

MIDWEST Final majority prices mostly unchanged from last Monday's final; slightly higher in Detroit; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offerings adequate for the limited buyer interest. Movement into all channels was light to moderate. Floor stocks adequate; sizes desirable to light. Parts trade was light. Supplies of leg items were in close balance with remaining parts adequate to ample. The market tone was steady on dark meat cuts and wings, barely steady on balance.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was seasonally fair to moderate at best. Seller offerings were adequate on the 3.00 pound sizes; adequate to fully adequate on the larger sizes. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mostly desirable. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 69 to 80 cents. Trade sentiment was about steady. In the parts complex, breast items were adequate to fully adequate. Leg quarters were clearing satisfactorily. Drums and in instances thighs were readily available. Wings were in good balance to fully adequate.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA.

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

RANGE	65-82
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)
(A) NOT RELEASED TO AVOID DISCLOSING INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS	

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was mostly fair to moderate entering the week, but dealers saw no need to extend floor stocks beyond normal commitments. Offerings of breasts items were at least adequate to balanced for current trade needs. Dark meats cuts were fully sufficient. Wings were adequate. Retail and distributive movement was seasonally light. The market tone was mostly steady.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	NEGOTIATED	CURRENT TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S		135-140	130.28	435,800
TENDERLOINS		125	122.93	81,440
BREAST - WITH RIBS		83-84	82.37	81,640
BREAST - LINE RUN		83	81.55	99,000
LEGS		61-62	62.42	57,080
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)		45-46	44.75	307,680
DRUMSTICKS		58-59	63.08	65,200
THIGHS		46-47	56.34	50,880
B/S THIGHS		104-105	99.25	80,740
WINGS (WHOLE)		72-73	74.85	201,240
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)		10-12	11.31	6,640
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)		40-45	39.86	13,165
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)		55-60	60.05	15,240

INCL: NY CITY METRO, N. NJ, MA, CT, RI, AND PA (NE OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	960	115.00-132.00	127-132	125.50
TENDERLOINS	242	110.00-182.00	-	118.75
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,000	42.00-43.00	-	42.52
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,422	44.50-45.75	45	44.99
WINGS (WHOLE)		TOO FEW TO REPORT	-	
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS	964	33.00-42.00	40	38.93

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS
	08/08	08/04	08/04	08/01	07/28
Alabama	4,084	4,038	5.09	3,995	5.07
Arkansas	5,315	5,358	5.13	5,287	5.09
Delmarva	2,247	2,226	5.53	2,221	5.37
KY-LA-TN	2,294	2,224	4.90	2,238	4.78
Mississippi	3,130	3,087	5.47	2,608	5.38
North Carolina	2,418	2,441	6.21	2,498	6.15
Texas	2,462	2,570	5.26	2,532	5.19
Total	21,950	21,944	5.32	21,379	5.26
Mon	21,950(A)			21,379(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 08-Aug 2005 is estimated to be 33,762,000 up 2.36 percent from a week ago. and up 10.4 percent from a year ago. (last week 32,982,000 last year 30,572,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	706	117.00-189.00	122-127	125.72
TENDERLOINS	188	117.00-185.00	125-129	128.14
BREAST - LINE RUN		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	584	42.00-46.00	44-45	44.31
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,005	45.00-48.00	46-47	46.38
WINGS (WHOLE)	282	65.00-76.00	73-76	73.40
WINGS (CUT)	300	83.00-88.00	83-86	86.77
DRUMSTICKS	68	58.00-68.00	-	59.18
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS	80	92.00-114.00	-	101.50

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR AUGUST 08, 2005 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
51.50 - 57.00	54.99	54.71

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 08-12-AUG-2005.

	Price (Cents) Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	112.00 - 140.00	117.00 - 137.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	80.00 - 107.00	80.00 - 87.00
LEGS	58.00 - 63.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	43.00 - 53.00	44.00 - 46.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	45.00 - 55.00	47.00 - 49.00
DRUMSTICKS	52.00 - 68.00	-
THIGHS	39.00 - 47.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	64.00 - 84.00	70.00 - 76.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 38.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 55.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	95.25-104.25
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	93.75-106.75

FROZEN HENS 5# & UP

FROZEN DUCKS

FROZEN SQUABS

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	97-99
ROASTERS 4# & UP	99-107
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	65-73

DUCKS

RABBITS-WHOLE

RABBITS-CUT UP

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 105-107
	DRY PACK 108
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 108-112
	DRY PACK 111-112
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 93-95
	DRY PACK 95-105
DUCKS	180-192

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

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CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED

<u>PRICES</u>		<u>VOLUME</u>	
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	EXPORT
15% OR LESS			
RANGE	21.50	21.50-24.00	446,000
WTD AVERAGE	21.50	22.75	206,000
15-20%			
RANGE	21.00-27.50	17.00-23.00	1,120,000
WTD AVERAGE	23.95	20.80	520,000
20% OR MORE			
RANGE	-	14.00-19.00	80,000
WTD AVERAGE		16.50	-

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

Aug 05, 2005

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED

<u>PRICES</u>		<u>VOLUME</u>	
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	EXPORT
15% OR LESS			
RANGE	-	26.00	81,600
WTD AVERAGE		26.00	-
15-20%			
RANGE	18.00-29.00	15.00-26.00	1,870,400
WTD AVERAGE	20.03	19.30	285,600
20% OR MORE			
RANGE	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE			-

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading levels were generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings from initial users. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF
08-AUG-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.5-16.25 CENTS/LB.	12-13.75	12.88
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.			

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was moderate for the mostly adequate offerings. Processing schedules were irregular but noted as mostly normal. Sales of finished product were generally sufficient for current needs. The undertone was at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF
08-AUG-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.75-16.25 CENTS/LB.	12-14	13.27
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.			

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